



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : John R. McDonald et al. Art Unit : 1647
Serial No. : 09/360,242 Examiner : Robert S. Landsman
Filed : July 22, 1999 Cust. No. : 20985
Conf. No. : 3887
Title : METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR TREATING SECONDARY
TISSUE DAMAGE AND OTHER INFLAMMATORY CONDITIONS AND
DISORDERS

MAIL STOP: RCE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

Dear Sir:

This preliminary amendment, which is responsive to the Final Office Actions, mailed April 7, 2005 and August 10, 2005, is filed with Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-captioned application. Entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY "EXPRESS MAIL"

"Express Mail" Mailing Label Number EV738975037US

Date of Deposit: February 10, 2006

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Service under 37 CFR §1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA, 22313-1450.